

# PURITON PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Sports Centre Puriton commencing at 7:30pm on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2018 when the following business was transacted:

PRESENT Councillors S Langley (Chairman), J Fletcher, M Healey, J Lunn and S Tizzard.

Parish Clerk T Jay.

Village Ranger C Gulliford

18.16 To receive any apologies for non-attendance

Apologies were received from Cllrs Barnaby, B Crow and V Crow.

18.17 To receive any declarations of interest in items on this agenda

No declarations were received.

18.18 To receive and approve the minutes of the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2018

It was resolved to approve the minutes.

18.19 To receive the clerk's report for information only:

The casual vacancy on the Parish Council has now been confirmed by SDC.

A request has been received to comment on the EIA Scoping Opinion for the Bridgwater Tidal Barrier Scheme. The only concern is that noise pollution which will affect the residents of Dunball whilst the flood defence work takes place in that area. The EIA should take into consideration the impact of noise from construction on residents of Dunball

## Planning

18.20 To consider and respond to the following new planning applications:

42/18/00002. 19 Puriton Park, Puriton, Bridgwater, TA7 8BL. Erection of first floor extension to South elevation, erection of single storey infill extension to rear (West) elevation and replacement roof to conservatory.

It was resolved not to comment on this application.

42/18/00003. Land to the south of Dunball Mill, Dunball Industrial Estate, Dunball. Erection of a two-story restaurant with associated drive – thru, car parking, landscaping

and associated works and the installation of two customer order displays and associated canopies.

42/18/00004. Land to the south of Dunball Mill, Dunball Industrial Estate, Dunball. Installation of seven internally illuminated fascia signs.

42/18/00005. Land to the south of Dunball Mill, Dunball Industrial Estate, Dunball. Installation of one internally illuminated gateway sign, six internally illuminated totem signs, eighteen non-illuminated car parking signs, one non-illuminated banner unit, one internally illuminated banner unit and one internally illuminated display board.

42/18/00006. Land to the south of Dunball Mill, Dunball Industrial Estate, Dunball. Installation of two internally illuminated 12m high totem signs.

The above four applications were dealt with together.

It was resolved not to comment on the application. However, there are concerns over litter in the vicinity, for which measures should be put in place, and that the restaurant could attract anti-social behaviour with youths congregating there on foot or in vehicles.

42/18/00007. Land to the south of Puriton Hill, Puriton. Erection of dwelling.

It was resolved not to comment on this application.

18.21 To note the outcome of the following planning applications:

42/17/00019. Land and property, 24 Riverton Road, Puriton TA7 8BP. Variation of condition 2 of planning permission 42/16/00016 (erection of 49 dwellings (including affordable housing), formation of access, provision of public open space, and associated infrastructure to replace the block paving and to amend the Materials Plan to change from the use of Russell double roman 'burnt orange' to Russell double roman 'cottage red' roof tiles on the relevant plots (Revised Description) **Awaiting decision.**

42/17/00024. 6 Middle Street, Puriton TA7 8AU. Conversion of annex to a separate dwelling including the conversion of loft to living accommodation. **Refused.**

09/17/00025. Land off A38, Bristol Road and A39 Bath Road and bounded by M5 Motorway and railway line, Bristol Road, Bridgwater. Reserved matters for the proposed erection of 68 dwellings with associated landscaping, parking, garages and engineering infrastructure. **Granted.**

42/17/00030. 1 Puriton Park, Puriton TA7 8BH. Retention of change of use of a house to 7 bedroom house in multiple occupation (HMO) **Granted, as no permission required for amended application for 6 bedrooms.**

42/17/00035. Land to the east of Tamar, Downend Crescent, Puriton TA6 4<sup>TH</sup>. Creation of a detached dwelling with integral garage, vehicle access and associated gardens. **Granted.**

42/17/00037. Land to the South of, Rosedale, Bristol Road, Bridgwater, Somerset, TA6. Improvements to existing vehicular access (retrospective). **Granted.**

42/17/00039. 25B Hillside, Puriton TA7 8AN. Erection of two storey extension to side (North) elevation. **Granted.**

42/17/00041. 11 Puriton Park, Puriton TA7 8BH. Application for the prior approval of the erection of a single story extension extending 4.7m from the rear (North) elevation. **Prior approval not required.**

42/18/00001. Puriton Manor, 2 Rye, Puriton, Bridgwater, TA7 8BZ. Trees adjacent to boundary wall: 8 No. Yew, 1 No. Holly and 1 No. Elder crown lift all trees to give 3-4m clearance from ground level and reduce lateral growth overhanging road in line with wall.

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1 No. Horse Chestnut remove 2 No. dead stems and ivy growth. 1 No. purple plum fell.  
**Awaiting decision.**

The decisions were noted.

18.12 To approve the following payments:

| Payee                  | Item  | VAT    | Total   |
|------------------------|---|--------|---------|
| Chris Gulliford        | Salary  |        | 534.60  |
| Sedgemoor DC           | Ground maintenance  | 36.60  | 219.60  |
| PATA                   | Payroll services  |        | 60.00   |
| Tony Jay               | Expenses Jan and Feb  | 3.60   | 83.38   |
| Tony Jay               | Salary  |        | 671.96  |
| Wembdon Parish Council | Reimbursement of 1/3 cost of Clerk's subscriptions and training fee |        | 106.00  |
| Plusnet                | Broadband   | 8.75   | 52.50   |
| HMRC                   | PAYE / NI Dec   |        | 211.91  |
| Chris Gulliford        | Expenses Jan  |        | 26.77   |
| Puriton Playing Fields | Neighbourhood Plan meeting  | 2.60   | 15.60   |
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| Puriton Playing Fields | Post office group meeting   | 2.60   | 15.60   |
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| Puriton Village Hall   | Room hire   |        | 15.00   |
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| P. Phillips            | Tarmacing at Clist Room   | 440.00 | 2640.00 |

The payments were approved.

18.13 To consider the purchase of a dog bin at Dunball.

It was resolved not to pay for a dog bin. However, the Parish Council would be prepared to pay for the collection costs on a bin purchased by Wessex Recycling, on the condition that Wessex Recycling reimburse the Council with the full cost.

18.14 To consider the purchase of a new 18 or 20 inch mower for the use of the Village Ranger.

It was resolved to purchase a new mower.

The Village Ranger will make enquiries with local suppliers and report back to the next meeting.

The mower will only be used for Council work.

18.15 To consider a response to the postcodes in Woolavington Road.

The Clerk was asked to contact Melanie Wellman at SDC for legal advice.

18.16 To consider concerns regarding the recent arson attacks in the Parish.

Two Police Officers attended at the start of the meeting and gave a briefing regarding

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the progress of the investigation.

- 18.17 To consider the implications of GDPR for the Parish Council.

It was resolved to set up new email accounts for each Parish Councillor which will be the only email address used for Parish Council business.

- 18.18 To receive an update from the Post Office working group and consider the cost implications for the Parish Council.

The working group has temporarily been put on hold whilst current developments are being explored.

When the group reconvenes then if the membership remains at eight then the group should arrange their meeting venues themselves. If the group gains more members then the Parish Council will consider paying for the group to meet in rented premises.

- 18.19 To consider the purchase of a new Parish Council notice board for Dunball.

It was resolved to purchase a new notice board.

- 18.20 To consider a grant application from Mendip Community Transport (the slinky bus)

It was resolved to donate £100.

- 18.21 To consider a grant application from the Musgrove Hospital MRI Scanner Appeal

It was resolved not to make a donation.

- 18.22 To note the new arrangements for Woolavington surgery.

A meeting took place in Woolavington on 13<sup>th</sup> February. Cllr Healey will provide an email to be sent to the CEO of SDC.

- 18.23 To consider the Parish Council's response to the SDC consultation request regarding the Sedgemoor Local Plan

The Parish Council will not be responding.

- 18.24 To receive the following reports for information only

(1) Village Hall

The pantomime is currently being performed in the hall. Everything is going very well.

(2) Puriton Playing Fields

The main plans for refurbishment are displayed on the notice boards at the hall.

(3) Parish Councillors

Speedwatch was discussed. A member of the public is trying to re-establish the speedwatch team. Volunteers are required to join the team.

Complaints have been received of private hedges overgrowing over the footpaths. The Clerk will write to the householders concerned.

A Villages Together meeting took place on 12<sup>th</sup> February. 2,000 leaflets have been circulated asking people to give ideas on how money could be spent. There have been very few replies.

Parking on the verge next to the Rye was discussed. A car is regularly being

parked on the verge, which is cutting up the grass. The Clerk will write to the owner of the car.

A wall has fallen into the rhyne opposite Pool Close which could cause a blockage in the rhyne. Cllr Healey will provide details of a District Councillor who sits on the drainage board for the Clerk to contact.

(4) District & County Councillor(s)

The precept demand will be discussed next week. The precept is likely to rise.

(5) Chairman

The Chairman read a letter of thanks from the Parochial Church Council, thanking the Parish Council for it's contribution to the resurfacing of the car park at the Clist Church Room.

18.25 Date of next meeting – 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018

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